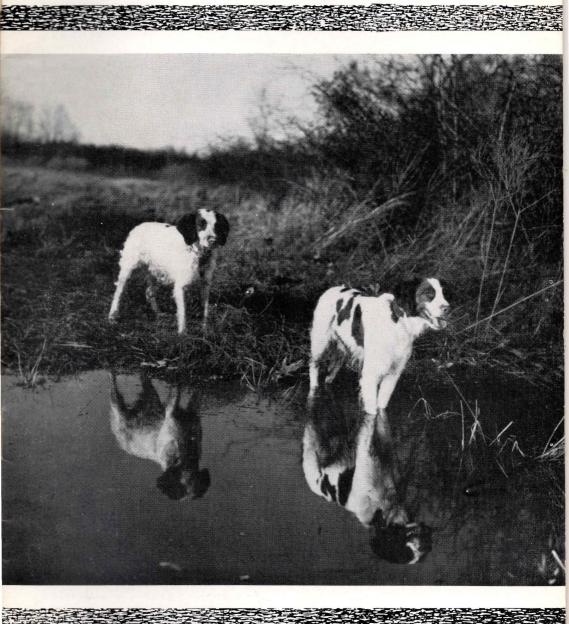
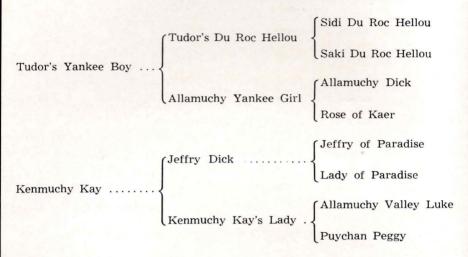
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OHIO BRITTANY CLUB

by Lefty Jordan

Our trial was again held at Killdeer Plains, Harpster, Ohio, and what started out Friday as a gala event suddenly turned into a sad affair. The second brace of Puppies had just gotten underway when Lee Holman received word that his son had lost his life in an automobile accident.

Rufus Sutton and James Brown were to judge our entire trial but because of Jim having sprained his back, he had to call it quits after the Puppy Stake. We were fortunate in getting Earl Chappell to replace him in the Open All-Age Stake, Ralph Gardner in the Open Derby Stake and Bill Szubielak in the Amateur All-Age Stake. All in all, we believe everyone enjoyed themselves.

PUPPY STAKE

The first four dogs in this stake were very close. They all had the field trial "know how" and looked like fine prospects for the blue ribbon winner in the future.

- 1st Sir Sanford, owned by Dr. Milton Hathaway and handled by Jane Thompson.
- 2nd Pacolet's Sam, owned by Perry Mobley and handled by Jane Thompson.
- 3rd Pacolet's Penny, owned by Walter Abner and handled by Jane Thompson.
- 4th Brittany's Royal Rogue, owned by James Eldridge and handled by Lee Holman.

OPEN ALL AGE STAKE

In this stake, Fld. Ch. Gladjoe's Pride was a good persistent hunter, always working to the right spots. He had a very good find in the bird field and plenty of style. Governor Leo put on



Open All-Age, Ohio, First, Fld. Ch. Gladjoe's Pride with Jane Thompson; Second, Governor Leo with Ruby Chappel; Third, Hero's Master Sport with Howard Crippen and Fourth, Reed's Skyline Dan with Harold Reed.

a mighty fine display of bird work, also, but was "nosed" out by a thin margin.

1st Fld. Ch. Gladjoe's Pride, owned by Joseph Kern and handled by Jane Thompson.

2nd Governor Leo, owned by Dr. Scholes and handled by Jane Thompson.

3rd Fld. Ch. Hero's Master Spot, owned by Howard Crippen and handled by Jane Thompson.

4th Reed's Skyline Dan, owned and handled by Harold Reed.

OPEN DERBY STAKE

Pacolet's Sam seemed to try to make up for his near miss in the Puppy Stake. He did it up in fine style this time, with an excellent ground race and a good Derby find in the bird field. The competition in this stake was really something to watch.

1st Pacolet's Sam, owned by Perry Mobley and handled by Jane Thompson.

2nd Mandy's Jet of Edough, owned by R. G. Buick and handled by Paul Dawson.

3rd Dingo's Gizmo, owned by Howard Crippen and handled by Jane Thompson.

4th Becky's Jack of LaRue, owned by Earl Chappell and handled by Jane Thompson.



Amateur All-Age, Ohio, 1st, Sir Molay with handler, Pat Conklin; 3rd, Penny's Happy Pepi with Art Parker; 4th, Jet's Bow Bonnie with Clois Dudgeon.

AMATEUR ALL-AGE STAKE

Sir Molay did his handler proud with an excellent back course, hitting hard all the way and coming up with a find just before entering the bird field. He certainly displayed beautiful manners. Pat Conklin, Carroll's wife, showed her finesse in dog handling. Carroll had better watch out or he'll become just a spectator.

- 1st Sir Molay, owned by Carroll Conklin and handled by Pat Conklin.
- 2nd Toffee Idoc Slamming Sammy, owned by Toffee Idoc Kennels and handled by Carroll Conklin.
- 3rd Penny's Happy Pepi, owned and handled by Art Parker.
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MIDWEST BRITTANY CLUB

by Dwight H. Williams

The Midwest Brittany Club held its Fall trial on the very spacious grounds of the Government Reservation Reservation at Fort Riley, Kansas. The weather, always a questionable factor in Kansas, was perfect for a field trial. Due to the extremely heavy cover on previous grounds, it was necessary to choose a new location which many thought was a decided improvement.

The bird field was located on a hillside in full view of the gallery, but not close enough to detract the Brittanies from their work, with just the right amount of cover, and a pond close by for water.

Much recognition should go to a number of people for their work before, during, and after the Trial. This includes the Judges, S. D. (Tat) Campbell of Ft. Riley and Harland Hensley of Topeka, Kansas who judged the Puppy Stake—A. Leroy Magnuson of Salina, Kansas and Emmett F. Smith of Kansas City, Mo. who judged the Amateur, Derby and All-Age Stake—also to Carl

Carlson, Secretary—Bob Madl, Campbell, Harold Standing (Photographer) and Ralph Hesseltine who brought extra horses. Last, but by no means least, the club wishes to thank Colonel Ginn and his staff for their usual fine cooperation. How do you thank the Army for being a wonderful host? At our dinner on Saturday evening we were pleased to have the Colonel and his "lady" as guests. After meeting Art and Mel Stavik of Tacoma. Wash, at the Nebraska Trial, we were delighted to welcome them to our trial. Hope to return their visit in the near future.

AMATEUR HANDLERS STAKE 17 Brittany Spaniels

The trial began Saturday morning with the Amateur Handlers Stake. This proved to be quite a problem for Judges Smith and Magnuson. A number of birds were contacted by the dogs in the early braces, but with one exception; none of the work was accept-



Amateur Handler Stake—Midwest—Left to Right, Dwight's Halloween Spook, Dwight Williams owner and handler; Mitzi, Mike Banks, owner, Ralph Thrap, handler; Dutchman de Richelieu, Alvin Chasteen, owner and handler (Virginia Chasteen, shown); Duc du la Bretagne, Hart Workman, owner and handler.

able to the judges. Several dogs in later braces had outstanding back course coverage, but failed to find birds. For this reason the Judges called back six Brittanies for additional time in the bird field. However, the birds were still elusive and the placements were made on the original bird work.

First place went to Dwight's Halloween Spook, owned and handled by Dwight Williams. Spook backed her bracemate voluntarily and followed this with a single find on which she displayed good manners. Second place went to Dutchman de Richelieu, owned and handled by Alvin Chasteen, third to Mitzi, owned by Mike Banks and handled by Ralph Thrap, and fourth to Duc Du la Bretagne, owned and handled by Hart Workman.

PUPPY STAKE 6 Brittany Spaniels

The entry in the Puppy stake was very disappointing, but what is lacked in quantity was made up in quality. Frosty, owned and handled by Father John Quinlan, Axtell, Kansas was placed first, with a good wide, forward race, a find on a prairie chicken on the back course and a find on a released quail in the bird field. King of Diamonds, owned by Frank Crabtree of Canon City, Colo. and handled by Ralph Hesseltine placed second on an excellent

race, but failed to contact birds. Lo-Ral's Sugar Foot, owned and handled by Ralph Bunnell lacked in range, but got fired up in the bird field, pointing two birds and holding until the birds were flushed. Britt La Rue de Monty, owned and handled by Sgt. Montgomery of Ft. Riley had one extremely long cast on his own to birdy shelter belt but failed to contact game and was placed fourth. This was Sgt. Montgomery and Britt's first trial.

OPEN DERBY STAKE 17 Brittany Spaniels

The Derby Stake was the outstanding stake of the trial. The course was in open country and made to order for those derbies to "show their stuff" and most of them proceeded to do just that.

The Judges placed Billy's Rocky Rocket first, on a good wide forward race on the back course and two finds in the bird field. He held point, with head high on both finds until the handler flushed the birds and then only followed the flight for a short distance. Rocky is owned by H. L. Barge and was handled by Bob Madl.

Tom's Zipper King, owned by T. R. Atkinson and handled by Delmar Smith, probably had a better derby race than the first place dog, but not quite as outstanding on his game. Prince of



Open Puppy Stake—Midwest—Left to Right, Frost, Father John Quinlan, owner and handler; King of Diamonds, Ralph Hesseltine, handler, Frank Crabtree, owner; Lo-Rals Sugar Foot, Ralph Bunnell, owner and handler; Britt LaRue de Monty, Sgt. Montgomery, owner and handler.

Valley Brit, owned by Otto Zlomke and handled by Ralph Hesseltine was placed on a tremendous race. King Concho of Richmont, owned by Newell Glinville and handled by Harvey Butler, placed fourth with work good enough to have placed much higher in an average derby stake, but as said before, this stake was much better than average.

OPEN ALL AGE STAKE 26 Brittany Spaniels

The Open All Age Stake was completed at dusk Sunday evening and was a complete reversal from the Amateur Stake in that every brace had contact with birds.

Duc du la Bretagne, owned by Hart Workman and handled by Ralph Hesseltine, had been building up to this trial by placing in almost every stake entered in four previous trials this season. In this stake he pointed a covey of birds on the back course and held when his brace mate pushed the birds out. This was followed by a single find on released quail in the bird field on which his manners were perfect. He was also credited with a back and stop to wing on a quail which flew over his head. This win completed his field trial championship.

Corky of Valley Britt, owned by Otto Zlomke and handled by Ralph Hesseltine, was placed second on a hard

Open All-Age Stake—Midwest—Left to Right, Duc du la Bretagne, Hart Workman, owner, Ralph Hesseltine, handler; Corky of Valley Britt, Otto Zlomke, owner, Ralph Hesseltine, handler; Dwight's Halloween Spook, Dwight Williams, owner and handler; Towsey, Tom Black, owner and handler, not present. driving forward race, two single finds in the bird field with good manners, and a very difficult re-location on a running bird.

Dwight's Halloween Spook, owned and handled by Dwight Williams, placed third, with a single find in the bird field on which she was mannerly, and a relocation on a running bird which she finally nailed near the edge of the pond.

Towsey, owned and handled by Tom Black, was placed fourth on a clean find and when sent on by handler was sent into another bird. Towsey stopped when bird flushed.

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HOOSIER BRITTANY CLUB

by Jack Secor

Multiple courses for all four stakes were featured at the Hoosier Brittany fall trials, held on the Tippecanoe River State Park grounds north of Winamac, Indiana, November 1958. Weather played an important part in quail covey count. On Saturday for the running of the Open, no birds were contacted or even seen during the severe heavy rains, yet all other braces were blessed. However, on Sunday, the bird population appeared in abundance with eight braces of Derbies accounting for 12 native quail covies and 10 pheasants in the forenoon; the count of eight covies of quail and five pheasants were tallied in three hours' running in the afternoon. Likewise the Amateur Stake, running the courses about two hours behind, but finishing before the conclusion of the Derby Stake, had more than enough work on wild birds to satisfy all handlers participating. Hoosier Brittany Fall trials at Winamac in 1958 proved conclusively that the hard work of members of this club and the Duneland Pointer and Setter Club in planting feed patches and maintaining winter feeders had paid off royally in bird population.



Pacolet's Sam, Indiana, First in Puppy Stake.

PUPPY STAKE

Commencing Friday afternoon with Amos D. Greer and Merlon Wood in the judicial saddle, the eleven pups showed true puppy style. Pacolet's Sam, the winner, laid down an intelligent forward race, was off independently in a wheatfield chasing field birds, but returned and finished strong. Sir Sanford, though not as wide as Sam, showed good pattern and hunted all likely cover. Pacolet's Mike pointed hard on a single to claim his third place, while Frosty came in for mention for a strong finish.

OPEN ALL-AGE STAKE

From the 35 starters in the Open, Judges Greer and Wood selected Yankee Boy's Tommy for the cherished blue ribbon. Tommy ran a good consistent hunting pattern, handling well. Pointing a covey along the roadway, Tommy's head was high as he held steady to a flush and shot. Skywood's Tantivy pointed non-productively shortly after the breakaway; but later he nailed a covey solidly and showed flawless manners. Gagel's Dutchman roaded for some time before pointing with his handler successfully producing covey. Rendezvous Excell had a commendable race pattern, pointing along the ditchbank and holding steady, but then seemed reluctant to leave the area after birds were flushed.

OPEN DERBY STAKE

With clearing skies after Saturday's rain, the native quail began to move out as the Derby got underway early Sunday with L. D. LaFleur and Merlon Wood judging. Of the 25 starters, Tinker Bell of Minnehaha's speed and range stretched the limits, and on her one good covey find she held stylishly, then merrily chased at flush. She also accounted for a single. Handjem's Ru-John Rip disappeared with his brace-

mate soon after breakaway, but reappeared on the course and continued strong. He flash pointed a covey about 50 yds. away and gave chase when the birds flushed wild. Handler then directed him to the spot where birds had lifted and Rip located two singles. Third and fourth places went to bracemates Gladwin Smokey and Pacolet's Penny who led off in the first brace. Both broke away with a lot of animation. Smokey pointed in a feed patch, tired of waiting for the handler, he put some of the birds to flight with his handler flushing the remainder. Penny had contact with a covey about one minute before time was called. Deer on the courses marred some fine performances by Pacolet's Sam and Jed of Edough.

AMATEUR ALL-AGE STAKE

Owner-handler, Phillip A. Hadsell made certain the Coy Conwell rotating trophy for the winner of this event, would return to the Hoosier Club, when Vickki of LaRue won. Vickki's consistent race pattern was highlighted with a point on a single and a voluntary back. Two Michigan dogs and handlers accounted for second and third. Dingo's Dinah and Hero's Master Spot showed they were past masters in the art of

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Skywood's Tantivy, Indiana, Second Open All-Age.

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SOONER BRITTANY CLUB

by M. F. Guest

The Sooner Brittany Club's annual fall trial, a multiple course affair, was run over the rolling miles of Fort Sill, Oklahoma, on November 8 and 9. Mr. Thomas A. Bell of Kansas City, Missouri, and R. V. Lowry of Gate, Oklahoma, judged the Amateur All-Age, the Puppy, and the Derby, while Mr. Lowry was joined by Clint B. Wood of Wichita Falls, Texas in the Open All-Age. Sgt. T. S. Roberts of the Fort Sill Game Ranger staff was Field Marshall. The help and cooperation of the military people helped greatly to make this a successful trial.

Several weeks of dry weather and a dust storm the night before the start made scenting conditions considerable less than good, so bird work was at a premium, and paid off well for those dogs who had birds.

In the Amateur All-Age, the judges felt that only one dog was worthy of placement, so all other places were



Towsey's Bub—First Derby at Sooner with handler Ronnie Smith.

withheld. Poulette of Richmont turned in a beautiful ground heat, and a good find where she was lost on point for several minutes. She had perfect manners, so really did deserve a first place.

The open puppy stake featured a horse race between litter mates Ranger's Little Thunder and Okie. Thunder won by a nose.

As usual, the Derby brought on the thrills. Towsey's Bub had a good race with three solid points, a stop to flush and a bump for the best bird score of the trial, making him an easy choice for first. King Concho of Richmont turned in an all-age performance with his ground heat, and with some creditable bird work would have pushed Bub to stay on top.

In the Open All-Age, Britton's Kipo,



Poulette of Richmont, First place, Amateur Stake, with owner-handler, Dr. R. C. Busteed.



Sooner Open All-Age, First, Kipo, owner, Hilt Wyrick, handler H. A. Butler, Jr.; Second, Punch of Paradise, H. A. Butler, Jr., handler; Third, Little Stinker, owner, Mrs. F. H. Bryan, handler, H. A. Butler, Jr.; Fourth, Mac's Cournouaille King, Tom Bell, owner and handler.

who had hard luck on these same grounds a year ago, came through this time with her usual fine race, a beauty of a find in a brushy swale, and a stop to flush in the open with good manners and easy handling all the way. Punch of Paradise had the same on birds,

but his ground race was not as appealing, and he handled harder than the winner. The third and fourth place dogs Li'l Stinker and Mac's Cornou-aille King, had only a stop to flush, so the difference again was in ground work and handling response.

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KENTUCKY BRITTANY CLUB

by Bill Price

Brittany people from seven states greeted us at our first licensed trial and we would like to add, thanks for the fine turnout.

Our trial was held at the Boyle County Sportsmans Club near Danville, Kentucky. We were immediately greeted by rain Saturday morning, November 15th, but in about an hour the skies cleared and sunshine was enjoyed the rest of the day. However, we had an extremely gusty wind that made scenting conditions very poor. Bobwhite quail were released so all 53 Brittanys entered in the four stakes could show their training on game. Jack Secor, Dick Montjoy, Charles Carroll and Milford Barnett did the judging. B. J. Griffin rode as Marshall.

PUPPY STAKE

One of the hottest little Britts in the country, Pacolet's Sam won the Puppy. Sam shredded the course, locating and handling his birds well. Pacolet's Penny took second, with a good race and a find. Brittany Royal Rogue dug hard and came up with birds for 3rd place, Sir Sanford was a very close 4th, showing with plenty of initiative.



Freckles VII—with owner Ed Winter, winner of Open All-Age, Kentucky.

OPEN AII-AGE STAKE

Freckles VII, owned by a mighty fine Michigan gentleman, ran a good race and was letter perfect on his birds to win this Stake and complete his field championship. Skywood's Tantivy was good for second with one of the best races and good bird work. Ferd's Flag of Leeway was very close as he blazed the back course and was letter perfect in the birdfield ,while his sire, Fld. Ch. Ferdinand of Leeway, ran his usual wide searching race and showed a perfect finish.

OPEN DERBY STAKE

Pacolet's Sam,remember, he is still a puppy, came back on Sunday to take the Derby. He ran like the wind and handled his birds again. Cork's Copper Jag was second, very close to the winner. Mandy's Jet of Edough took third with a good race and a find, while Pacolet's Bush Buster looked good in taking fourth. Many unplaced Derbies displayed high quality performances.

AMATEUR ALL-AGE STAKE

Woe be the Amateur! Everything went wrong in this stake. There were many top-notch bird dogs but they forgot their manners in Kentucky. Only three dogs were placed. First, Riviere Valley Suzette, who ran a good race and displayed finish on her birds. Uno's Chief was second with a good back course and steady as a bob white tried to go down his throat when his handler flushed. Lady Ball de MacEochaidh ran well and was steady on a divided find.

Honored guests at the trial who were particularly enchanted with the atmosphere and find food at the "Old Crow Inn" (built 1776) were A.B.C. President Jack Secor and his wife, Ruth, Dr. S. Truex, Dr. Fred White and his wife Ann, Ruth and John Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Nils Nielsen and children, Joe Kern, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Winter and our many Good friends from the Buckeye Club.

SOUTHEASTERN BRITTANY CLUB

The Open Puppy Stake, the initial event for the Southeastern Brittany Club's fourth annual trial meet over the Pinehurst multiple courses was run on January 23 in near perfect field trial weather conditions, with an entry of fifteen.

Winner for the stake was Peggy of Hunterhaven, owned by Howard H. Crippen of Dearborn, Mich. and handled by Jane Thompson. With two points on quail during her six minutes in the bird field, she ran a good ground race showing promise of future gundog or all-age potentialities. All placed entries had bird work on liberated quail, running their ground patterns during the first fourteen minutes of their heats and working in the bird field for the final six minutes.

Second place winner was Belloak's O'Don, owned by James B. Bell, Jr. of Palm Beach, Fla. and handled by John Thompson; third going to Tanti's Maitress Dickory, owned by James Hadley of Dayton, Ohio and handled by Jane Thompson; fourth place to Ashurst Doc, owned by Herbert Farnsworth of Andover, Mass. and handled by Phil Morehouse of Salem Depot, N. H. Belloak's O'Don also had two points on game and ran a nice, stylish race, hunting the cover without too much handling and working fast. The third place puppy had the best race of the stake with one nice contact with birds, but responded to the handler's commands less obediently than the first two place winners. Doc, the fourth placed puppy, had two finds on marked



Marcell Bell presenting: Puppy Winners—Southeastern—1st, Peggy of Hunterhaven, owner, Howard Crippen, handler, Jane Thompson; 2nd, Belloak's O'Don, owner J. B. Bell, Jr., handler, John Thompson; 3rd, Tanti's Maitresse Dickory, owner, James Hadley, handler, Jane Thompson. (Dot Morehouse shown.) Phonto, courtesy John G. Hemmer, Pinehurst, North Carolina.

birds, but his race was less consistent and lacking somewhat in proper application of his ground pattern.

Top honors in the Amateur Gun Dog Stake went to Fld. Ch. Belloak's Gunner, owned and handled by Richard Fox of Orleans, Mass. An outstanding Brittany, the white and orange stake winner ran a good searching ground race, hunting continuously without too much handling, and had one excellent find. Just before the pick-up time Gunner worked through a little peice of open country and pointed a feeding covey of some twenty quail. The birds moving off and his handler sending him on, the dog advanced a few feet and slammed into a hard point, standing steady to wing and shot when the birds were flushed.

Placing second was Pacolet's Whist, a white and orange male owned and handled by William T. Davis of Clearfield, Pa.; third going to Riviere Vallee Suzzette, white and liver female owned and handled by Nils O. Nielsen of Pacolet Mills, S. C.; with fourth place being won by Britt de la Fontaine Vallee, owned by Herbert Farnsworth of Andover, Mass. and handled by Dick Fox. These three dogs, plus Dual Champion Helgramite Tarquinius, handled by owner W. E. Stevenson, Stamford, Conn., were called back by the judges for a second series, each having

good ground heats with no mistakes, but no bird work. Whist, handled by his owned for the first time in a stake, had a nice race, ranging well, with a beautiful covey find in the second series. A huge bevy of twenty-five quail was perfectly located, the dog positive and displaying manners perfect to flush and shot. Third place Suzzette, sister to Whist, ran the outstanding race of the stake, hunting well out in front during both series, and with one excellently executed point during the second series on a liberted bird in which her manners were perfect. The fourth place dog also had a nice find on a single liberated bird when brought back, but his first ground pattern was less consistent than that of the first three place winners.

Tanti's Maitress Dickory, nine months old puppy owned by James Hadley of Dayton, O. and handled by Jane Thompson was winner of the Open Derby. Placing third in the Open Puppy Stake, her first start in any trial, Maity shows outstanding promise in taking the Derby blue. She ran a good race and had one point on birds. Jane Thompson also placed second and third winners, Pacolet's Sam, owned by Perry Mobley of Ft. Thomas and Pacolet's Penny, owned by Walter Abner of Amelia, O.; fourth going to Belloak's Nora, owned by James B. Bell, Jr. of Palm Beach,



Nils Nielsen presenting: Derby Winners—Southeastern—1st, Tanti's Maitresse Dickory, owner, James Hadley, handler, Jane Thompson; 2nd, Pacolet's Sam, owner, Perry Mobley, handler, Jane Thompson; 3rd, Pacolet's Penny, owner, Walter Abner, handler, Jane Thompson. (Dot Morehouse shown). Photo, courtesy John G. Hemmer, Pinehurst, North Carolina.



James B. Bell, Jr. presenting: Amateur Gun Dog Winners—Southeastern—1st, Bell-oaks Gunner, owner, handler, Richard B. Fox; 2nd, Pacolet's Whist, owner, handler, Wm. T. Davis; 3rd, Rivierre Valley Suzette, owner, handler, Nils Nielsen. Photo, courtesy John G. Hemmer, Pinehurst, North Carolina.

Fla. and handled by Phil Morehouse of Salem Depot, N. H. Sam had a good ground race with a stop to flush, Penny ran a good race working cover in a swamp from which a covey flushed wild and a minute later, she pointed a single from the bevy; while Nora had a fair race, less rangy than the first three, with one point which she handled in acceptable fashion.

Another first was racked up by handler Jane Thompson in the Open All Age feature stake with Riviere Vallee Suzzette, owned by Nils O. Nielsen of Pacolet Mills, S. C., taking the blue and winning a leg on the Machlett Rotating Trophy presented in memory of the late Raymond R. Machlett of New Cannan, Conn. Suzzette, white and liver female, ran a beautiful race, well out in front all the time, with one perfect find on a native covey, her handler way off, and displaying perfect manners at flush and shot. Second place honors in this final event were captured by Skywood's Tantivy, owned by J. Hadley and handled by John Thompson; third going to Dual Champion Belloak's Highflyer, owned by Marcelle Bell and handled by Phil Morehouse; and fourth to Belloak's Gunner, owned and handled by Dick Fox of Orleans, Mass. The second place dog had good ground work, but was not as rangy or consistent in pattern as the winner, and had a point on a single which he handled very well. High ran a nice ground heat, but had no bird work and was called back in second series when he had a find on a single, handled perfectly. Gunner carried his casts well out, was consistent and hunted constantly, but was birdless in first series. Called back, he also had a find on a single, but moved 6 or 7 feet toward the line of flight and then steadied.

The judges for the entire event were Thomas Hunt of Catonsville, Maryland and C. C. "Nick" Stephens of Brooksville, Maryland.

The duties of Field Trial Secretary were ably executed by Mrs. James B. Bell of Palm Beach, Fla.



Marcell Bell presenting: Open All-Age Winners—Southeastern—1st, Rivierre Valley Suzette, owner, Nils Nielsen, handler, Jane Thompson; 2nd, Skywood's Tantivy, owner, James Hadley, handler, John Thompson; 3rd, Belloaks High Flyer, James B. Bell, Jr., owner, handler, Phil Morehouse. Photo, courtesy John G. Hemmer, Pinehurst, North Carolina.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE AMERICAN BRITTANY CLUB, INC.

Parent Club, and Member of the American Kennel Club.

Date
I,, hereby apply for active membershi in the American Brittany Club, Inc. and enclose \$7.50 as my annual membership due for the Year January 1, 19 to December 31, 19, \$4.00 of which is for subscription to the AMERICAN BRITTANY for one year.
It is understood that if application is rejected, my money shall be refunded. M signature below will signify my willingness to abide by the rules and regulations of the American Kennel Club, the American Brittany Club, Inc., and its regional clubs
I am also enclosing \$ to cover associate membership(s) at \$3.0 each for members of my family or friends whose names are listed with thi application. I understand that Active members will receive THE AMERICAL BRITTANY and any other general communications, but associate members will not
Signed:
Recommended by: Name

Mail to Nearest Regional Club Secretary or National Secretary

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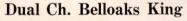
Belloaks Kennels

Gr. Sire—Dual Ch. Avono Hapte Sire—Dual Ch. Avono Hapte Gr. Dam—Tess of Chippewa

Dual Champion Belloaks Highflyer

\$100.00

Gr. Sire—Ch. Buck of Chippewa Dam-Dual Ch. Buckeye de Klemanor Gr. Dam—Ch. Jule of Loufel

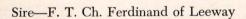


Winner So. R. I. Pointer and Setter Open Shooting Dog Stake October 1958

Sire—Dual Ch. Belloaks Highflyer Dam—Dual Ch. Belloaks Ibby

(is on Sports Afield All American Brittany Team of 1958)

\$100.00



Belloaks Leo \$75.00

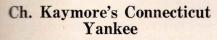
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F. T. Ch. Belloaks Gunner
Sire of National Futurity winner 1958
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Sports Afield All American Brittany
Team of 1956
Sire—Dual Ch. Avono Hapte
Dam—Sue of Loufel
Stud Fee \$100.00
Owner—Richard B. Fox
Orleans, Mass.



Sire—Dual Ch. Doctor Joe of Kaymore Dam—Pacolet Sumthin' Special

Introductory Stud Fee \$50.00

Dual Ch. Doctor Joe of Kaymore

Winner So. R. I. Pointer and Setter Open Shooting Dog Stake March 29, 1958

Sire—Jud of Pasatrou

Dam—Lady Godiva de Basgard

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ILLINOIS REGIONAL BRITTANY CLUB

by Marge Pixley

The Illinois Regional Spring Trial was held at Crab Orchard Refuge February 20, 21, 22, 1959, with an entry of 80. Paul Bone, Chairman, and his committee handled the large entry with experienced ease. The judging was very capably handled by Ike Brandon, Carbondale, Ill., and W. B. McMurtrie, Sparta, Ill. The turn-out of club members was most gratifying as was the presence of Lee Holman, Jane Thompson, and Ralph Hesseltine, pro handlers.

PUPPY STAKE

Tanti's Maitresse Dickory was first with a fine forward searching race. Zorro was second, his race not quite as forward as Tanti's.

Puppy Stake - 16 entries

- 1st Tanti's Maitress Dickory, J. M. Hadley, owner, Jane Thompson, handler.
- 2nd Zorro, C. D. Alderman, owner, Jane Thompson, handler.
- 3rd Dixie of Pacolet, Robert Segar, owner, Lee Holman, handler.
- 4th Mike de Klemanor, Luther Lawrence, owner, handler.

DERBY STAKE

Zorro took first with a big race and a fine covey find. Maiti ran a shorter race than in the puppy stake but was steady on two finds. Hel's Okla Dream placed third with a good covey find. (He wasn't steady and the birds went out.) Major Monti had four covey finds but ran a very short race.

Derby Stake - 17 entries

- 1st Zorro, C. D. Alderman, owner, J. Thompson, handler.
- 2nd Tanti's Maitress Dickory, J. M. Hadley, owner, J. Thompson, handler.
- 3rd Hel's Okla Dream, D. F. Olund, owner, L. Holman, handler.
- 4th Major Monti, Warren C. Reitzel, owner and handler.

OPEN ALL-AGE

Skywood's Tantivy ran a fine race with great style. He had a good covey find, a point on a single and backed his bracemate perfectly. Jeff of Minnehaha placed second with points on two singles. (His birdwork was not quite as clean cut as Tanti's.) Rendezvous Elias took third with a point on a scattered covey. He had a good back and ran a nice race. Britt's Tic Toc Bobby placed fourth with a good race and points on 2 singles.

Open All-Age — 34 entries

- 1st Skywood's Tantivy, J. M. Hadley, owner, J. Thompson, handler.
- 2nd Jeff of Minnehaha, Richard Culbert, owner, R. Hesseltine, handler.
- 3rd Rendezvous Elias, Howard Clement, owner, Lee Holman, handler.
- 4th Britt's Tic Toc Bobby, H. H. Crippen, owner, J. Thompson, handler.

AMATEUR ALL-AGE

First place Rendezvous Excell ran a very good race. He showed good manners on his covey find and was steady to shot and wing. Ferd's Miss America ran an excellent race the first time out. On call-back, she had an excellent covey find to place her second. Dingo's Dinah ran a short but searching race, with one find. Rendezvous Skipper had a good covey find but was not steady.

Amateur All-Age — 13 entries

- 1st Rendezvous Excell, J. Frank Mc-Bride, owner, handler.
- 2nd Ferd's Miss America, Dr. Fred Z. White, owner, handler.
- 3rd Dingo's Dinah, H. H. Crippen, owner, handler.
- 4th Rendezvous Skipper, L. D. La-Fleur, owner, handler.

CALIFORNIA BRITTANY CLUB

by Thurmond McWhorter Jr.

Our trial this year was moved from Firebaugh, Calif. to Bakersfield, Calif. This was done since most of our members live in Southern Calif. The results of the move were extremely gratifying as attendance was greatly increased.

The trial was run on the grounds of the Pacific Coast Field Trial Association. The terrain is fairly level except for a few ditches. It is covered with mesquite, trees, and grass. The weather was clear and in the seventies both days. Judging duties were in the capable hands of Charles Morris of Modesto, Calif. and John Mullins of Bakersfield.

Twenty-one entries were on the line Saturday morning for the open all-age. Beau Kiki, handled by E. L. Phillips, put on a fine race and had two perfect finds in the sixth brace. It looked like he had it all sewed up until Shag Dandy Quick, handled by Mrs. G. M. Lillard of Vancouver, Washington, came along to take it from him. Shag Dandy Quick did everything that could be asked of him, and Mrs. Lillard added to his ability with an excellent job of handling.



Du. Ch. Paul's White Flash, 3rd Open All-Age, California.

Closely pushing the leaders were Dual Champion Paul's White Flash, handled by Dr. Sullivan, in the third place and Jacques Bon Ami, owned by Bill Rodda and handled by Elmer Flack, in fourth place.

There were seventeen entries in the puppy stake. The pups were run in the afternoon and the warm weather slowed some of them down. Lund's Trooper, owned and handled by Ejner Lund, ran an excellent race and produced birds to take first place. He is certainly an outstanding puppy. Second place went to Gary's Beau Kiki, owned by Gary and E. L. Phillips and handled by E. L. Phillips. This pup also showed a lot of promise and should make a very good competitor. Following the first and second place dogs were Nobs Nubs, owned and handled by Adolph Kreuder, in third place and Turk, owned and handled by Carl Percell, in fourth. Nobs Nubs had a good race with two finds, while Turk ran well, but failed to locate game.

After the puppy stake, everyone drove back into Bakersfield for the judges dinner Saturday night. We had expected about 40 people for the banquet but were pleasantly surprised to have over 75 attending. Needless to say, chairs were at a premium. Trophies were presented to the day's winners, and mementoes of the trial given to the judges.

The derby stake was run Sunday morning, with 22 entries. Coming out on top was Lund's Trooper, owned and handled by EJner Lund. Trooper showed that his win in the puppy stake was no accident. His race would have been of credit to any all-age dog, and he had 3 nice finds. As well as Trooper did, he was hard pressed by Magnum of Pacolet who placed second. Magnum, owned and handled by Mickey Macomber, had a very good race and 2 nice points. In third place was Joiner's Candy, owned by Mr. Joiner and handled by Bill Flack. Fourth place went to



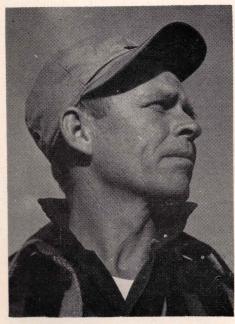
Beau Kiki, 1st Amateur All-Age and 2nd Open All-Age, California.

Vickki's Peggy of LaRue, owned and handled by Bob Ellis.

The amateur all-age stake was run Sunday afternoon. There were 15

entries. Beau Kiki once again proved himself to be one of the top dogs in California by taking first place. Beau, owned and handled by E. L. Phillips, ran a wide race and had 2 perfect finds, Ouragan Jerry's Bob, owned and handled by Frank Gilbert, placed second. Bob had a stop to flush on the back course and 2 nice points. In third place was Jo-Jo, owned and handled by Ed Keefe of Seattle, Washington. Jo-Jo had a good race with 3 finds. He is only 3 years old and should be a fine competitor in the coming trials. Fourth place went to Buena Vista Beau, owned and handled by T. McWhorter, Jr.

Meet The People ...



Lee Holman (Illinois Regional Brittany Club), professional trainer and handler, perhaps dreaming about next year's futurity.



Mary Sullivan, Berkley, California, modeling ear-warmers worn by Californians unaccustomed to Crab Orchard weather.

MIDWEST BRITTANY SPANIEL CLUB, INC.

by Louis F. Oltman

Our first multiple course trial for the Midwest Brittany Club March 6-7-8, 1959 was most successful! Of course, like anything else new, we had some qualms about the outcome, but thanks to Dwight and Ruby Williams, our had working secretary and treasurer, "Tat" Campbell, Field Marshall, and many others, plus the Army personnel of Fort Riley Kansas, we all went home with the feeling of a job well done—and we will do it again next year.

With "Doc" White of Chillicothe, Illinois, and Jim Cook of Topeka, Kansas, judging Puppy, Derby and All-Age, and Jess Hayslip of Larned, Kansas teaming up with Jim Cook to judge the Amateur ("Doc" didn't think he ought to look at Mrs. "Doc's" dog), the judging was most successful!

Fort Riley has miles and miles of area for a multiple course trial, with plenty of cover and a good supply of birds. We had approximately 22 coveys of birds in the two days. Next year should be better, as the deputy Game Warden has an O.K. to put in feed patches and ponds throughout the complete area.

March 5th we had our usual pre-trial weather, 4 inches of snow and ice with

high winds, but by Saturday A.M. most of the snow was gone and the weather almost ideal. Sunday A.M. threatened rain, but it cleared up to as fine a day as you could wish for.

PUPPY STAKE was first—the ground was frozen and some snow left, but the pups did allright. The judges saw the puppy results as follows:

- 1st Beaucoups Lad Ruckus—owned and handled by James H. Smart, Manhattan, Kansas.
- 2nd Duchess De Aranja—owned by Robert Long, handled by Mrs. Diane Long, Manhattan, Kansas.
- 3rd Covey Scouts Flashy Showman owned and handled by Roy Miller, Independence, Mo.
- 4th Way-Kan Jill—owned and handled by Gerald Price, Concordia, Kansas.

Then came the ALL-AGE, the class stake of the trial. Not too much excitement until the 3rd brace, which brought out Patsy De Wayne, handled by Gerald Price. It didn't take but a few minutes for everyone to realize we were probably watching the winner. She was in all the right places at the right time—(ranging way out in front), charging into cover, hunting hedge rows, ditches and hillsides and still being obedient



Puppy Stake-Spring Trial-Midwest.

to command. As she disappeared toward a clump of sumac two birds raised. When the handler located Patsy she was on point, and as he started toward her a covey raised beyond the sumac, and Patsy was rock tight at shot. Sent on, she went back to her bird hunting and a few minutes later pinned a single out of a feeding covey manners perfect. 1st Place Dog. It was obvious anyone who wanted to win this stake had Patsy to beat.

In the 6th brace Hellou Yankee Timber handled by Ralph Hesseltine hunted a good race but did not have the sparkle or birds of the first place dog. With a hard race and one find handled with perfect manners, he placed third.

The eighth brace showed Towsey handled by Tom Black, putting down a good hard race and two coveys perfectly handled—won his 2nd place.

Duc Du La Bretagne handled by Ralph Hesseltine and running well to the front with a single find was placed 4th.

1st Lady Patsy De Wayne—Owned and handled by Gerald Price, Concordia, Kansas.

2nd Towsey — Owned by Thomas Black, Wichita, Kansas, handled by Delmar Smith, Edmond, Okla. 3rd Hellou's Yankee Timber—Owned by Bernard Neiberger, Meridan, Kansas, handled by Ralph Hesseltine, Overbrook, Kansas.

4th Duc Du La Bretagne—Owned by Hart Workman, Topeka, Kansas, handled by Ralph Hesseltine.

The DERBY STAKE was very disappointing—and the judges placed only one dog. Tommy's Yankee Ned, Owned by Earl Ward and handled by Ralph Hesseltine ran a good derby race and had a find on a small covey in a hedge row.

1st Tommy's Yankee Ned — Owned by Earl Ward, Topeka, Kansas, handled by Ralph Hesseltine.

The AMATEUR HANDLERS stake was not as spectacular as the All-Age of the day before, but did show the judges a fine class of bird dogs. Here is how they were placed:

1st Towsey—Owned and handled by Tom Black, Wichita, Kansas.

2nd Dwight's Halloween Spook— Owned and handled by Dwight Williams, Kansas City, Kansas.



Amateur Handler Stake—Spring Trial—Midwest.

Tommy's Yankee Ned, 1st Derby, Midwest, shown with Ralph Hesseltine.

- 3rd Way-Kan Judy—Owned and handled by Gerald Price, Concordia, Kansas.
- 4th Yankee Boy's Tommy—Owned and handled by John Costelow, Topeka, Kansas.

With the improvements to be done on the grounds by Fort Riley personnel, we will all be back next year for a bigger and better trial!

HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL THERE!



ENROLLMENT LIST THIRTEENTH ANNUAL BRITTANY SPANIEL FUTURITY MAY 15, 1959 COMPLETED NOMINATIONS

- 67. CHIC DE KLEMANOR—FLD. CH. TOWSEY—3/28/59—5 males, 2 bitches; J. H. Arbaugh, 427 N. Melrose, Casper, Wyo.
- 82. CINDY OF COGNAC—YAO D'ILLE RANCE—4/15/59—4 males, 3 bitches; Seth T. Cognac, 2409 Davisson St., River Grove, Ill.
- 84. TOM'S SURE POINT CINDY—HOLLIDAY BRITT—4/7/59—4 males, 2 bitches; T. R. Atkinson, 2122 N. Riverside Blvd., Wichita, Kansas.
- 85. TOM'S LADY DEBRA—FLD. CH. TOWSEY—4/7/59—1 male, 2 bitches; T. R. Atkinson, 2122 N. Riverside Blvd., Wichita, Kansas.
- 89. CH. PENNY'S PENNY DE TRIUMPH—CH. TI-WAR ROC DE TRIUMPH—4/2/59—8 males, 2 bitches; Clarence J. Goering, Newton, Kan.
- 90. CH. WARRIOR'S WENDY DE TRIUMPH—CH. TIGRE JOE DE TRIUMPH—4/1/59—1 male, 5 bitches; Clarence J. Goering, Newton, Kansas.
- 94. PACOLETS KAYMORE REBEL—DU. CH. ALBEDO VALLEY DINGO—3/22/59—3 males, 4 bitches; Nils O. Nielsen, Pacolet Mills, S. C.
- 95. DU. CH. PACOLETS CHEYENNE—DU. CH. ALBEDO VALLEY DINGO—4/24/59—2 males, 7 bitches; Nils O. Nielsen, Pacolet Mills, S. C.
- 96. PACOLETS HUNTERHAVEN GILL—DU. CH. TEX OF RICHMONT—3/22/59 4 males, 1 bitch; Nils O. Nielsen, Pacolet Mills, S. C.

- 97. FOLLETE DE JACQUES—DU. CH. TEX OF RICHMONT—3/27/59—4 males, 3 bitches; Nils O. Nielsen, Pacolet Mills, S. C.
- 98. DINGOS GYPSY WILDFIRE—DU. CH. TEX OF RICHMONT—3/29/59—6 males, 3 bitches; Nils O. Nielsen, Pacolet Mills, S. C.
- PACOLET'S BUSHBUSTER—DU. CH. TEX OF RICHMONT—4/15/59—3 males, 3 bitches; Nils O. Nielsen, Pacolet Mills, S. C.
- 103. GIGI OF LARUE—FLD. CH. BENJJI OF LARUE—3/31/59—4 males, 4 bitches; Carlton P. Plyler, Hexie Star Route, Cadillac, Mich.
- 104. KAYMORE'S RILL WHIMSEY—DU. CH. DOCTOR JOE OF KAYMORE—4/19/59—2 males; Dr. Alan Ingle, c/o Kaymore, Salem Depot, N. H.
- 105. CANDY KID—FLD. CH. TOWSEY—4/6/59—4 males, 2 bitches; M. D. Nelson, 332 N. Seneca, Wichita, Kansas.
- 106. LADY JANE OF JERICHO—FLD. CH. SAXON OF FREDAN—3/7/59—3 males, 4 bitches; Mr. Jacob Thompson, Country Club Estates, Pontiac, Ill.
- 107. JEFF JET'S JOY—FLD. CH. SAXON OF FREDAN—4/28/59—8 males, 5 bitches; Fredan Kennells, 301 N. Second St., Chillicothe, Ill.
- 109. PACOLET'S PRINCESS PAT—JEFFREY OF ARGARD—4/1/59—5 males, 3 bitches; Art Small, 864 Pearl, Salina, Kansas.
- 111. HELS OKLAHOMA RAINBOW—KING CONCHO OF RICHMONT—4/20/59 4 males, 5 bitches; M. F. Guest, 614 N. Dixie, Hollis, Okla.
- 112. HELS OKLAHOMA DAZE—PUNCH OF PARADISE—4/17/59—4 males, 8 bitches; M. F. Guest, 614 N. Dixie, Hollis, Okla.
- 113. DALMO SUPER SNUFF—KELLEY'S JET ATOMIC—4/18/59—2 males, 5 bitches; Lessee Ralph E. Thrap, Box 236, Fairbury, Neb.
- 115. PASSAMONTE'S QUEEN OF BENTON—PASSAMONTE'S JET COMMAND-ER—4/13/59—2 males, 2 bitches; Thos. Passamonte, Pine Tavern Rd., Mt. Morris, N. Y.
- 117. FEATHERBROOM BONNIE—FLD. CH. OZARK CHIEFTAIN—4/13/59—5 males, 2 bitches; Jack Frost, 9000 W. 74th Ave., Arvada, Colorado.
- 118. ELLIOTTS FROLIC—DAVIS' PAL—4/13/59—3 males, 4 bitches; Margaret Spencer, P. O. Box 354, Golconda, Ill.
- 120. TROXY—ROCKY OF CHIPPEWA—4/13/59—3 males, 3 bitches; James E. Krallman, 327 W. Lyman, Topeka, Kansas.
- 121. FREDANN'S MISS POLLYANNA—FLD. CH. YANKEE BOY'S TOMMY—4/28/59—2 males, 3 bitches; Fredan Kennels, Chillicothe, Ill.
- 122. PENELOPE DE KLEMANOR—FLD. CH. SAXON OF FREDAN—3/30/59—3 males, 5 bitches; G. A. Jones, M.D., 612 S. Spruce St., Arthur, Illinois.
- 129. SPEED QUEEN—FLD. CH. TOWSEY—5/4/59—6 males, 2 bitches; Pete T. Wedelin, 1112 N. Champa, Pratt, Kansas.
 - No. 47, 48, 58, 75, 91, 99, 101, 102, 123 will not be completed—failed to whelp. No. 68 dead litter—No. 44, 110 failed to whelp.

SUMMARY

- 187 First enrollments composed of the following: (67 more than 5/15/58).
- 163 First forfeit fees paid (33 failed to whelp, 3 dead litters, 1 premature).
 - 8 Substitution credits from 12th Futurity.
 - 16 Substitution credits from 13th Futurity.
 - 72 Completed nominations (21 more than 5/15/58)

MONTHLY REGIONAL ENROLLMENTS SUMMARY 5/15/59

	First Enrollments	Completed Nominations
Midwest		13
Central New England		11
Illinois		10
North Oklahoma	14	2
Michigan	12	4
Saginaw	12	1
South Eastern	10	7
At Large	9	1
Sooner	9	3
Hoosier	8	3
Upper New York	7	5
Pennsylvania	5	2
Ohio	5	1
Badger	4	2
Missouri	4	1
Ringneck	3	2
North California		1
South New England		1
Nebraska	2	1
California	2	0
Skyline	1	1
Washington	1	
Kentucky	1	
New Jersey	1	

The other regionals have no first enrollments or completions.

GEORGE E. MILLAR, Futurity Chairman.

AMERICAN AND CANDIAN CHAMPION DIANE DE BEAUCH, UD

by W. E. Averill

Whelped on Sept. 15, 1945, Diane was sired by Potic de Beauch out of Bonne Lassie, a daughter of Dual Ch. Aotrou MacEochaidh. Her sire was the first Brittany ever to complete a CDX degree and also was a field trial winner ,taking runner-up in the National Derby at the age of 13 months. Her grandsire was Ch. Patrice de Sharvogue. three-time winner of the National Specialty Show and also a field trial winner, winning the first point trial ever held for Brittanies—at the age of 10½. While not as good a specimen as either of her forbears, Diane made up in brains and heart for what she lacked elsewhere and won more titles than both of them put together.

Diane started off in dog shows when she was six months old and won 11 points as a puppy—entered every time in the Puppy Class. In Canada, she finished in four shows. In each show, she also entered the obedience trial and finished her CDX in both countries in the minimum of six shows. She also had two Group placements in Canada. Taking time off to have a litter by Dual Ch. Avono Happy, she returned to the wars to finish her American Championship, to take Best Opposite to Happy in the National Specialty Show and to complete her UD title in Obedience the first Brittany ever to win this title.

All this time, she was kept out of field trials, primarily because whelping date put her at a disadvantage in Puppy and Derby stakes but also because her owner had two other dogs to run and was too busy with them to break her. She went hunting with her sire and grandsire, however, and ran with them several times a week and, pretty soon, she broke herself. She placed in her first trial, had 11 other placements in various trials, taking first in several Amateur trials but she never could win that 3-point Open All Age that would have made her a Field Trial



Champion. Her best year, she had to buck Dual Ch. Uno's Jet and she just couldn't match his range. However, she did win the National Amateur that year and was runner-up the following year.

The above facts are a matter of record. What doesn't show on the record is the great pleasure the Averill family have had for 12 years having as a house-pet the sweetest, liveliest, smartest and most devoted dogs that anybody ever had. And papa Averill, who hunted her from upper Michigan to lower Texas, has had as fine a hunting dog as anyone could ask for-on grouse, pheasant and quail. He even used her to retrieve duck, even though the vet strongly advised against it, because she was so desolate when he went duck hunting without her that he just had to take her along. He found that her response to hand signals, learned in obedience trials, was a big help in

finding birds dropped out of her sight. The hand signals also came in handy while hunting doves in Texas—where the Pointer people claimed that a dog hurt more than he helped. A dog trained to hand signals can flush the doves right over your head, however—much to their astonishment.

Still active at the age of 121/2, Diane

won the Michigan Water Trial last summer and is assistant trainer to two young hopefuls now being trained by her master. If she could only give them a few of her brains and some of her bidability, what a help that would be! Probably no dog will ever seem as good to me.

There were over 100 Brittanies entered in all-breed trials, recognized by the American Field in the last half of 1958. There were 25 dogs that made the ribbons. Only one dog had multiple placements and that was DINGO'S LITTLE MIKE with 3 places. The placements were divided as follows, puppy stakes 1, derby stakes 4, and the remainder were all age or shooting dog stakes. There were 6 first, 9 seconds, and 12 thirds or divided thirds. Seventeen of the placements were in Open competition and the remainder were

There is a big race going on among the top ten all time winners and the ratings have changed a good deal since they were last published. As of January 1st the top winners, AKC point trials only, stood as follwos:

either Amateur, Member, or Restricted

Breed Stakes.

1	Dual Ch. Helgramite	01	(4: 1)
	Howie d'Acajou	91	(retired)
2	Dual Ch. Pierrot de		
	Fontaine Vallee	48	(retired)
3	F. T. Ch. Ashurst		
	Jerry	36	(retired)
4	F. T. Ch. Ferdinand		
	of Leeway	35	
5	F. T. Ch. Belloaks		
	Gunner	32	
6	Dual Ch. Meadowink	. 1	
	Buzz	30	(retired)
	F. T. Ch. Hero's Mas-		
	ter Spot	30	(deceased)
	Dual Ch. Belloaks		
	Ibby	30	

TRIAL TALK

by Nicky Bissell

7	Dual Ch. Britt of
	Blaisy Blas 29 (retired)
	Dual Ch. Wippy Val-
	lee Bourrault 29
8	Dual Ch. Uno's Jet . 28 (deceased)
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9 F. T. Ch. Uno's Rex of Paradise 27
Dual Ch. Dingo's Little Mike 27

10 Dual Ch. Evergray's Tic Toc Bobby 26

We should all be proud of the number of bench champions in our top field winners. This is our aim.

Among the new champions we find another Busteed bred, BEAUCOUP BECKY OF RICHMONT. Second champion for owner Clint Wood. We hear raves about the quality of one of our favorites, the new champion YANKEE BOY'S TOMMY. And last, but far from least congratulations to owner Ed Winters on the field championship of FRECKLES VII.

I would like to discuss a condition that I have felt for a long time to be very unfair. The opinions are my own and no way reflect opinions of the A.B.C. or it's officers. As the present point system is set up a dog who is campaigned as a youngster may win 2 points as a puppy, 2 points as a derby, then 4 points in amateur competition. He then must win one open all age stake of at least 3 points to finish. Another dog that is not started as a puppy or derby may win 4 points in amateur competition and then must win at least two open all age stakes for his

other 6 points. As we all know the open all age is the toughest stake to win. We are penalizing the dog who isn't campaigned as a youngster by making him win two of these difficult open all age stakes. Many of these dogs were not started as pups because their owners didn't know about trials, or because there were no trials in their area at that time. There are many dogs (I can name 5 in Michigan alone) that have 5 point open all age wins, amateur points, but must have that second open all age to finish. These are quality dogs well worthy of the name champion. There are some youngsters that were balls of fire as puppies and derbies but did not take breaking well. Some of these dogs were campaigned for several seasons getting an occasional 3rd or 4th till the day the good dogs all fell down and they completed their championship. In my mind there is something wrong in a system that allows these dogs to finish with one win and keeps out better grade dogs because they have to have two wins.

I believe that the point system could be changed so that a dog would be re-

ITEMS

Yes, that is a BRITTANY, pictured at the breakaway of the National Shooting Dog Championship: May issue, OUTDOOR LIFE, page 142, May issue, SPORTS AFIELD, page 150. It is Ferdinand of Leeway, the first Brittany ever to compete in this event, and from accounts in both magazines, his performance was a credit to the breed. John Lee, handler and owner is shown at left mounting.

Earl Chappel, chairman of the 1959 National Trial, has anounced that the ground work has been successfully laid for the National trials. The grounds at Crab Orchard have again been secured for November 28 to December 4th. The specialty show will be under the able direction of Clarence Goering, and will be held at the club house, Saturday night, November 28, 1959. Judges for the National Amateur Stake will be Tom Lunsford and Lloyd Teas. The Futurity

quired to win one 3 point or better Open all age, and the rest of his points in Puppy, Derby, or Amateur with the limits of 2 points left on Puppy and Derby. This way the dog that was started trialing later in life could win 7 points as an Amateur, while the one started early could get a couple points in either puppy or derby or both and the remainder in Amateur. This would give your well broke consistent winner an equal chance with your flashy youngster. Or the system could be changed so that every dog would be required to win two Open all age stakes to finish. I, personally feel that that would make it too difficult to finish a dog. I don't believe in cheap champions or easy ones, but we all know how rough it is both in time and money to finish a field champion. Our third solution would be to follow the lead of the German Shorthair people and offer two open stakes, an all age, and a shooting dog in each trial. The number of entries in our trials nearly makes this impossible for another stake would make too many dogs to run in a weekend. Your opinions on this would be appreciated.

and All-Age stakes will be judged by W. B. McMurtrie and Albert Rule. There will be more to follow from month to month, so watch for additional news and information, and make your plans now to ATTEND THE NATIONALS.

Maxwell Riddle, Dog Editor of the Cleveland Press, is interested in getting a good Brittany about a year old for shipment to Japan. Thus far, there are no Britts in Japan. The country is very hilly, therefore, they won't need one that is too wide, but a good one. Get in touch with Max, he has done the American Brittany Club a lot of favors, and we would like to help him out.

No need to run for the Band Aids when you hear someone say his dog "cut his throat." This is merely the field trialers way of saying that this canine goofed himself right out of competition.

HERO'S MASTER SPOT

One of the all-time "greats" of the Brittany world, died suddenly of a heart attack late in November, 1958. Fld. Ch. Hero's Master Spot was being given a workout by his owner, Howard Crippen of Dearborn, Michigan, in preparation for the "Nationals" when death overtook him. As Howard related:

"On his last and final workout Spotty was going hard. He made several nice casts, and stacked up beautifully on a pheasant. The bird went through a fence, and after Spot got over the fence he took to running hard again. Then I saw him motionless, and thought he was on point, but when I arrived, he was lying flat on his side.

"I took him to a vet, who performed an autopsy and checked thoroughly. Every organ was sound with the exception of his heart."

Hero's Master Spot was not only a prodigy, gaining his field championship before he was two years old, but when he was returned to competition after an illness and semi-retirement, he set enviable record in the Central Region circuit. Ever since Howard Crippen purchased Spotty from Dr. Harry Lee, his former owner, in June, 1957, Spot consistently bid for the high spots, and succeeded. His record for this past year, 1958, needs to be repeated to show this stalwart field trial veteran was in tip-top form, and as in 1957, Spot would have been a masterful competitor for the Brittany Championship, had not death intervened.

Spring 1958—Southeastern-2nd Open (18); Illinois—1st Open (23); Michigan Saginaw Valley—1st Amateur (13); Badger—3rd Open (18).

Fall 1958 — Upper New York—4th Open (17); Pennsylvania — 2nd Open (15); Ohio—3rd Open (16); Hoosier— 3rd Amateur (16).

Hero's Master Spot was the star performer in two Brittany Nationals. Back in 1952 when they were still holding a National Puppy and a National Derby Stake, he won both events. At the time he was a mere 9½ months old. So confident was his trainer, Jane Thompson, that Spotty would keep on coming, that she freely predicted "We will return, next year, and win the Futurity." That is precisely what they did in 1953, against a field of 28 competitors. That same year at the Nationals, Spot placed third in the Open All-Age event against 43 starters, and he was not yet two years old! No wonder then Spot was named at least twice on the Sports Afield All-America Brittany teams by Henry P. Davis!

In other big wins Spot retired the Alan R. Stuyvesant Memorial trophy offered by the Hoosier Brittany Club, by winning the Open Stake twice in a row, Fall of '54 and the Spring of '55.



Of his 30 placements in Brittany trials at the time of his death, half of them 15—were firsts!

Bird dogs that deserve the accolade of "great" are those who perform masterfully for several handlers. Though Spot gained his eminence under the guiding hand of Jane Thompson, the professional from Michigan, nearly all of his '58 placements were added by his owner-handler Howard Crippen, Sr. Even Howard Crippen Jr. knew the joy of handling and winning with this outstanding Brittany for Howard Jr. won a Michigan Fun trial with Spotty this fall, and placed him in the Hoosier Amateur Stake—his final.

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